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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PDEV, PINT, RH, US
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: PUBLIC TREATMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS
ON SANCTIONS

1. IN PRIVATE CONTACTS HERE IN SALISBURY, I HAVE BEEN TAKING THE
LINE THAT RECENT CONGRESSIONAL ACTION CONNECTING LIFTING OF
SANCTIONS WITH THE HOLDING OF FREE ELECTIONS IN RHODESIA DOES
NOT CHANGE U.S. POLICY IN RHODESIA. IT IS SIMPLY A FORMAL
RECOGNITION BY THE CONGRESS OF WHAT WE HAVE ALL ALONG BEEN SAYING
AND WHAT THE BRITISH HAVE CALLED THEIR "FIFTH PRINCIPLE". WE HAVE
MADE IT CLEAR TO ALL PARTIES WITH WHOM WE ARE IN CONTACT THAT
WE WOULD HAVE TO RECOGNIZE THE RESULTS OF A FAIR AND FREE
ELECTION IN WHICH THERE IS SIGNIFICANT PARTICIPATION BY THE
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POPULATION OF THE COUNTRY. THIS DOES NOT CHANGE OUR VIEW THAT
IT SEEMS TO US DIFFICULT THAT CONDITIONS TO CARRY OUT
SUCH ELECTION WOULD BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT APPLICATION OF THE
PRINCIPLES OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSAL.

2. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS ENTIRELY
ACCURATE. IN FACT, WE HAVE ANTICIPATED CONGRESSIONAL ACTION, IN

WHATEVER FORM IT FINALLY EMERGES, IN MOST OF OUR CONVERSATIONS
WITH PATRIOTIC FRONT REPRESENTATIVES, INTERNAL NATIONALISTS,
AND SMITH AND HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE REGIME.
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